

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A computing device, comprising:

a ~~[[an]]~~ first illuminable housing capable of being illuminated by light, the first housing being configured to enclose at least one internal component~~[[s]]~~ associated with the operation of the computing device; and

a second illuminable housing capable of being illuminated by light, the second housing being configured to enclose at least one internal component associated with the computing device, the second housing being physically distinct from the first housing;

a first controllable light emitting device disposed inside the first illuminable housing, the first light emitting device being configured to produce ~~[[an]]~~ a first adjustable light effect for colorizing or patternizing the first illuminable housing in order to significantly alter the ornamental appearance of the first housing of the computing device, the first light emitting device including a first light source configured to generate ~~[[the]]~~ light so as to illuminate the interior of the first illuminable housing, the light illuminating an inner surface of a housing wall of the first housing to effect an appearance change in of an outer surface of the housing wall of the first housing; and

a second controllable light emitting device disposed inside the second illuminable housing, the second light emitting device being configured to produce a second adjustable light effect for colorizing or patternizing the second illuminable housing in order to significantly alter the ornamental appearance of the second housing of the computing device, the second light emitting device including a second light source configured to generate light so as to illuminate the interior of the second illuminable housing, the light illuminating an inner surface of a wall of the second housing to effect an appearance change of an outer surface of the wall of the second housing;

wherein the first and second light emitting devices work in concert to generate the first and second light effects such that the first and second light effects work together harmoniously to affect the ornamental appearance of the computing device.

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Cancelled)

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4. (Currently Amended) The computing device as recited in claim 1 wherein ~~the~~ each light source includes at least one light emitting diode.
5. (Currently Amended) The computing device as recited in claim 1 wherein ~~the~~ each light source includes a plurality of light emitting diodes.
6. (Currently Amended) The computing device as recited in claim 5 wherein each of the light emitting diodes generates the same color of light.
7. (Currently Amended) The computing device as recited in claim 5 wherein each of the light emitting diodes generates a different color of light than the other light emitting diodes of the associated light source ~~individually different colors of light~~.
8. (Currently Amended) The computing device as recited in claim ~~[[7]]~~ 6 wherein the light emitting diodes cooperate to produce a light effect having a single color.
9. (Original) The computing device as recited in claim 7 wherein the light emitting diodes cooperate to produce a light effect having a plurality of colors.
10. (Original) The computing device as recited in claim 5 wherein the plurality of light emitting diodes are integrated into a light emitting diode array.
11. (Original) The computing device as recited in claim 10 wherein the light emitting diode array includes a blue, red and green light emitting diode.
12. (Cancelled)
13. (Currently Amended) A computing device, comprising:
a ~~[[an]]~~ first illuminable housing capable of being illuminated by light, the first housing being configured to enclose at least one internal component~~[[s]]~~ associated with the ~~operation~~
~~of the~~ computing device; and

a second illuminable housing capable of being illuminated by light, the second housing being configured to enclose at least one internal component associated with the computing device, the second housing being physically distinct from the first housing;

a first controllable light emitting device disposed inside the first illuminable housing, the first light emitting device being configured to produce [[an]] a first adjustable light effect for colorizing or patternizing the first illuminable housing in order to significantly alter the ornamental appearance of the first housing of the computing device, the first light emitting device including a first light source configured to generate [[the]] light so as to illuminate the interior of the first illuminable housing, the light illuminating an inner edge of a housing wall of the first housing to effect an appearance change in of an outer surface of the housing wall of the first housing; and

a second controllable light emitting device disposed inside the second illuminable housing, the second light emitting device being configured to produce a second adjustable light effect for colorizing or patternizing the second illuminable housing in order to significantly alter the ornamental appearance of the second housing of the computing device, the second light emitting device including a second light source configured to generate light so as to illuminate the interior of the second illuminable housing, the light illuminating an inner edge of a wall of the second housing to effect an appearance change of an outer surface of the wall of the second housing;

wherein the first and second light emitting devices work in concert to generate the first and second light effects such that the first and second light effects work together harmoniously to affect the ornamental appearance of the computing device.

14. (Previously Presented) The computing device as recited in claim 1 further including a shaped wall disposed between the light source and the housing wall, and wherein the light from the light source illuminates an inner surface of the shaped wall to produce a shaped light effect at an outer surface of the shaped wall.

15. (Previously Presented) The computing device as recited in claim 1 further including a light pipe for distributing the light to locations within the illuminable housing.

16. (Previously Presented) The computing device as recited in claim 1 further including a light guide for focusing the light generated by the light source.

17. (Previously Presented) The computing device as recited in claim 1 further including a lens for focusing the light generated by the light source.
18. (Previously Presented) The computing device as recited in claim 1 further including a reflector for redirecting the light to locations within the illuminable housing.
19. (Previously Presented) The computing device as recited in claim 1 wherein the light emitting device further comprises a light source controller in communication with the light source, said light source controller being configured to process light commands to produce the light in a controlled manner via the light source.
20. (Original) The computing device as recited in claim 1 wherein the housing wall is capable of producing a characteristic glow at the outer periphery of the housing wall when the light is transmitted through the housing wall.
21. (Cancelled)
22. (Previously Presented) The computer system as recited in claim 1 wherein the illuminable housing is configured to cover and protect the internal components.
23. (Previously Presented) The computing device as recited in claim 1 wherein the internal components comprise a processor.
24. (Previously Presented) The computing device as recited in claim 1 wherein the internal components comprise a display controller, input controller or output controller.
25. (Previously Presented) The computing device as recited in claim 1 wherein the internal components comprise a display that is distinctly separate from the light emitting device.
26. (Previously Presented) The computing device as recited in claim 1 wherein the internal components comprise an input or output device.
27. (Original) The computing device as recited in claim 1 wherein the light effect is static.

28. (Original) The computing device as recited in claim 1 wherein the light effect is dynamic.
29. (Currently Amended) A general purpose computer, comprising:
a ~~[[an]]~~ first illuminable housing capable of being illuminated by light, the first housing being configured to enclose internal components associated with the operation of the computer; and
a display including a display housing, the display housing capable of being illuminated by light, the display housing being physically distinct from and in communication with the first housing;
a first controllable light emitting device disposed inside and in optical communication with the first illuminable housing, the first light emitting device being configured to produce ~~[[an]]~~ a first adjustable light effect that provides illumination for colorizing or patternizing the first illuminable housing in order to significantly alter the ornamental appearance of the first housing of the general purpose computer, the first light emitting device including a first light source configured to generate light so as to illuminate the interior of the first housing; and
a second controllable light emitting device disposed inside the display housing, the second light emitting device being configured to produce a second adjustable light effect for colorizing or patternizing the display housing in order to significantly alter the ornamental appearance of the display housing, the second light emitting device including a second light source configured to generate light so as to illuminate the interior of the display housing;
wherein the first and second light emitting devices work in concert to generate the first and second light effects such that the first and second light effects work together harmoniously to affect the ornamental appearance of the computing device.
30. (Original) The computing device as recited in claim 29 wherein the general purpose computer is a desktop computer.
- 31-47. (Cancelled)
48. (Currently Amended) A computer system having a first housing for enclosing at least one component of the computer system, and a second housing for enclosing a second component of the computer system, the first housing having a first light passing wall, the second housing

having a second light passing wall, the first housing being physically distinct from the second housing, the computer system comprising:

a first light source disposed inside the first housing, the first light source being configured to generate light;

a second light source disposed inside the second housing, the second light source being configured to generate light; and

a single light source controller operatively coupled to the first and second light sources, the light source controller being configured to control the first light source so as to illuminate at least a portion of the first light passing wall of the first housing with the light generated by the first light source, the first light source being dedicated to illuminating the first light passing wall, the light source controller being further configured to control the second light source so as to illuminate at least a portion of the second light passing wall of the second housing with the light generated by the second light source, the second light source being dedicated to illuminating the second light passing wall.

49. (Cancelled)

50. (Currently Amended) The computer system as recited in claim 48 wherein the first housing is configured to enclose [[a]] the light source controller, a processor, a display controller, an input/output device controller, and wherein the second housing is configured to enclose a display.

51-77. (Cancelled)